

REMEDICATION AND REDEVELOPMENT (RR) NEWS FROM WISCONSIN DNR
November 10, 2004

SAG APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY

We can only fit in one last reminder before the postmark deadline for Site Assessment Grant (SAG) applications arrives on this Friday, **November 12**. For more information, please see <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/brownfields/sag.htm>

DNR HYDROGEOLOGIST WILL SPEAK AT SEMINAR

RR Program hydrogeologist Terry Evanson will speak at a complimentary breakfast seminar on **November 18**. The seminar, "In Situ Remediation and Project Closure: What Works and What Doesn't Work", is hosted by Arcadis and will run from 7:00 to 9:00 a.m. at Miller Park in Milwaukee. To register, please contact Wendy Thompson, Arcadis, no later than Thursday, **November 11**, at 414-277-6253.

BROWNFIELDS STUDY GROUP MEETS NOVEMBER 30

Wisconsin's Brownfields Study Group will meet on Tuesday, **November 30** from 9:30 to 3:00 at the Lowell Center, 610 Langdon Street in Madison. The tentative agenda includes: new market tax credits, all sums insurance, the 2005-07 biennial budget, brownfields legislation, the brownfields insurance program, cleanup and redevelopment in the Menomonee Valley and state and federal updates. This meeting is free and open to the public.

FEDERAL BROWNFIELDS TAX INCENTIVE EXTENDED TWO YEARS

A federal tax incentive to encourage cleanup of commercial and industrial brownfields has been extended for two years, until December 31, 2005. This allows a federal taxpayer to claim qualified remediation costs as deductions in the year incurred, rather than spreading them out over several years. Eligible Wisconsin taxpayers have led the nation in using this incentive at 23 separate sites since 1998. Deductible expenses include site assessment, investigation and monitoring, remediation, operation and maintenance of remedial systems, voluntary party liability exemption (VPLE) fees, and costs incurred for the removal of demolition debris as part of remediation. The credit applies only to contaminants that meet the federal criteria. To use the deduction, a taxpayer should complete a form available on the RR web and obtain DNR concurrence that the property meets the requirements. The form is at <http://www.dnr.wi.us/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/4400-206.pdf>. For more information about the tax credit, see the RR web site at http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/financial/fed_tax.html, or contact Percy Mather at 608-266-9263, or Percy.Mather@dnr.state.wi.us. A qualified tax advisor can provide more information on specific eligible costs.

PLEASE REMEMBER WE NEED PRINTED COPIES OF MOST SUBMITTALS

Regional staff have received some requests for case closure that include a printed copy of the case closure form with all of the other necessary information submitted on a computer disk. However, we still need paper copies of submittals. DNR is not set up to allow public records to be viewed electronically. We appreciate electronic submittals as supplements, but you still need to include a complete printed copy with all attachments, figures, tables and text. This also helps us route the request to members of the regional closure committees. We appreciate the improved quality of the electronic figures and tables that we receive for our GIS registry, and this also allows you to include maps and tables larger than the 8.5 x 14" format that is the limit for our scanners, but we also need

printed copies for our files. For information on making electronic submittals for the GIS registry, please see our guidance at <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR690.pdf>

WISCONSIN CITED IN "UNLOCKING BROWNFIELDS" REPORT

Wisconsin is one of six states noted for effective state brownfield programs in a report from the National Association of Local Government Environmental Professionals (NALGEP) and the Northeast-Midwest Institute. "Unlocking Brownfields: Keys to Community Revitalization" represents a decade of research and experience in brownfields and includes more than 50 profiles of successful brownfields projects and programs. The report is available on the NALGEP web site at <http://www.nalgep.org/default.cfm>

TIME AGAIN TO UPDATE CONSULTANT LIST

Consultants may again update their information on our "Environmental Services Providers List" at <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/aw/rr/archives/pubs/RR024.pdf>. This "name, address, phone and fax number" listing is intended to help responsible parties locate consultants that do environmental investigation and cleanup in different parts of Wisconsin. It is not an endorsement or certification of those on the list. Consultants who need to add or amend a business entry on the list should contact Megan Clemens at Megan.Clemens@dnr.state.wi.us by December 15, 2004 to be included in the next version of this list.

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